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1. REFERENCE A FORWARDED ADM MOORER'S OFFER TO SEND A SMALL TEAM TO KUWAIT TO BRIEF MGEN SHAIKH MUBARAK (COMMANDER OF THE KUWAIT ARMED FORCES) ON MINE WARFARE TO INCLUDE BOTH MINELAYING AND MINE CLEARING TECHNIQUES AND REQUESTED AMBASSADOR'S COMMENTS AND PROPOSED DATES. REFERENCE B PROVIDED REPLY THAT BRIEFINGS WOULD BE CONSIDERED HELPFUL AND RECOMMENDED THAT BRIEFING OFFICERS BE OF LTCOL GRADE. REFERENCE B FURTHER ADVISED THAT MGEN MUBARAK WOULD BE OUT OF KUWAIT UNTIL LATE SEPTEMBER.

2. DODREP HAS CONTACTED MGEN MUBARAK WHO APPEARS TO REMEMBER THE CONVERSATION WITH ADM MOORER WELL AND STILL DESIRES THE CONFIDENTIAL

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BRIEFING. MGEN MUBARAK SUGGESTED A DATE AROUND THE 15TH OR

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20TH OF NOVEMBER. ALSO, HE HAS INDICATED A CLEAR INTEREST IN BOTH SURFACE AND AIRBORNE TECHNIQUES FOR LAYING AND CLEARING MINES. GENERAL CONVERSATION INDICATED THAT PHOTOGRAPHS, ETC OF EQUIPMENT USED WOULD BE APPRECIATED. SINCE KUWAIT ARMED FORCES APPEAR TO HAVE DECIDED UPON THE A4M AS THEIR ATTACK AIRCRAFT, EXAMPLES OF AERIAL DELIVERY SHOULD USE THIS AIRCRAFT IF FEASIBLE.

3. REFERENCE C HAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MGEN MUBARAK'S INTEREST IN ESTABLISHING A NAVY. REFERENCE D HAS PROVIDED GUIDANCE ON HOW TO RESPOND TO HIS INTEREST.

4. WHILE WE SHALL PROCEED AS REQUESTED, WE BELIEVE THAT BRIEFING TEAM SHOULD BE PREPARED TO RESPOND TO GENERAL QUESTIONS ON HIGH SPEED PATROL CRAFT (MISSILE EQUIPPED), MINE LAYING AND MINE CLEARING EQUIPMENT USED/BUILT BY THE USN, (SUCH AS THE CPIC). REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION ON COST AND AVAILABILITY CAN BE EXPECTED. WE BELIEVE THAT MGEN MUBARAK WILL MAKE MAXIMUM USE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS SUCH MATTERS WITH NAVY OFFICERS.

5. VIEWGRAPH PROJECTORS ARE NOT READILY AVAILABLE. RECOMMEND USE OF 35MM SLIDES FOR ALL GRAPHIC AIDS.
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